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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Multi-National Force – Iraq Policy 05-05 (Uniform Wear, Appearance and Conduct)

1. REFERENCES.

- a. AR 670-1 (Army)
- b. NAVPERS 15665 I, Article 2201.2 (Navy)
- c. MCO P1020.34 F (Marine Corps)
- d. AFI 36-2903 (Air Force)

2. APPLICABILITY. These standards are applicable to all US military personnel, DoD Contractors and US DoD civilian personnel assigned, attached, TACON, OPCON, ADCON, or TDY to Iraq or Multi-National Force - Iraq. This policy only applies while in Iraq, as it contains exceptions to service policy. Forward recommended changes to this policy to the Multi-National Force – Iraq Command Sergeant Major.

3. ADHERENCE TO STANDARDS. Adherence to standards is a matter of pride and discipline. All military and civilian personnel will follow these policies on uniform wear, appearance and conduct. All applicable service regulations remain in effect, as this policy is intended to supplement and augment those policies. Leaders, particularly Non-Commissioned Officers, must enforce these standards. This policy does not provide an exhaustive list of standards within MNF-I.

4. STANDARDS.

a. Uniform Requirement.

(1) **Duty Uniform.** The normal duty uniform is the Advanced Camouflage Uniform (ACU), Desert Camouflage Uniform (DCU), Stryker, or the Battle Dress Uniform (BDU). The Aircrew Battle Dress Uniform (ABDU) or Hospital Duty Uniform may be substituted in aviation or medical units. Sleeves will be worn down and buttoned at all times. No modifications to this uniform are authorized (sterilizing, sewing or removing of

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pockets, Arabic nametapes, Velcro, etc.) unless authorization is granted by the first General Officer in the chain of command or by the CJSOTF-AP Commander. Duty uniform includes at a minimum name, rank, and branch of service. Sterilized uniforms (insignia and rank removed) may only be worn departing from or returning to FOBs and base camps for actual operations, and may not be worn in dining facilities, exchanges or other public gathering locations.

(2) When the patrol cap or camouflaged desert (boonie) hat is worn, no blocking, forming, rolling or upturning of brims is authorized. Strap will be worn under the hat, fastened tightly to the back of the head, or under the chin. Rank must be worn on US Army headgear. No embroidery is authorized on any headgear.

(3) Authorized Uniforms. Military personnel may only wear the duty uniform and the prescribed service/unit physical training uniform. Civilian clothing will not be worn unless authorized by the first General Officer in the chain of command or the CJSOTF-AP Commander. Only those items authorized by service uniform regulations may be worn on the uniform.

b. Physical Fitness Uniform.

(1) Military personnel conducting physical training will wear the prescribed service or unit physical training uniform. If wearing a battle dress uniform, the shirt may be removed while exercising. When conducting physical training outdoors, each person must wear a reflective belt or vest at all times, and use sidewalks or run facing traffic. Reflective belts must be visible at all times when exercising outdoors, and worn diagonally when wearing a jacket. Watch caps may be worn with the physical training uniform.

(2) The physical training uniform may be worn when not wearing the duty uniform. Civilian clothes are not authorized for wear except under provisions of paragraph 4a(3). The physical training uniform is not a duty or detail uniform. Additionally, at protective posture U2 or higher, physical training uniforms are not authorized.

c. Combat Vehicle Crewman (CVC) Uniform and Mechanic's Coveralls. Wear of these uniforms are authorized while performing actual tasks associated with their duties. Mechanic's coveralls will be removed prior to departing the maintenance area.

d. Vehicle Uniform. Ballistic helmets and IBA are worn at all times by Marines and Sailors when riding in or on tactical vehicles. Ballistic helmets are worn at all times by Civilians, Contractors, Soldiers and Airmen when riding in or on tactical vehicles. All

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personnel will utilize seatbelts at all times. Tactical vehicles include armored vehicles, HMMWV, CUCV, dozers, aircraft, etc., as well as all-terrain vehicles.

e. Uniform for Movement. When leaving a secure compound (FOB, LSA or camp), individual body armor (IBA) with Small Arms Protective Inserts (SAPI), ballistic eye protection, seatbelts, ear plugs and helmets/CVC will always be worn. Helmets will always be worn in tactical vehicles. At a minimum, the two-person per vehicle and two-vehicle rule is in effect as per FRAGO 966 MOD 1 to FRAGO 632 (Vehicle Movement Procedures). More restrictive local commander's policies must also be followed.

f. Rapid Fielding Initiative (RFI) issue items.

(1) Black fleece. The black fleece jacket and trousers were issued to serve as liners for the extended cold weather clothing system (ECWCS), and were never intended as outer garments. However, as an exception, the black fleece jacket may be worn by Soldiers in Iraq as an outer garment while at the U1 level. When the force protection posture rises to U2 or higher or when on missions or departing fixed bases and sites, the fleece may only be worn as an undergarment. Marines, Sailors, and Airmen will not wear the fleece as an outer garment.

(2) Black undergarments. These items are designed to be worn next to the skin to wick moisture, and are not worn over or with cotton military-issue undergarments. The black shirt may show at the neck, and the thumb may be placed into the manufactured hole at the wearer's discretion.

(3) Ballistic eyewear. Ballistic glasses help save eyesight. All personnel are required to wear their issued ballistic eyewear at all times when performing duties requiring IBA and helmets, inside or outside FOBs and base camps. The retention straps are authorized for wear while in Iraq.

(4) Issued gloves may be interchanged at the Soldier's discretion. Civilian gloves of comparable design will have no logos, writing, or stripes.

(5) Hydration systems. All issued hydration systems (i.e., CamelBaks) may be worn at individual discretion, or as directed by commanders.

(6) Watch cap. Watch caps may be worn under helmets, or as a stand-alone headgear when weather conditions dictate.

g. US Flag Cloth Replica. Soldiers will wear the full-color US Flag cloth replica on the DCU and BDU. Chapter 1, Title 4, United States Code specifies the colors as red, white, and blue; therefore, subdued flags are not authorized for wear. The only exception is the reflective colored or infrared subdued flag replicas authorized on the

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ACU or Stryker uniforms, or the CJSOTF-AP field uniform. The flag is worn on the right sleeve with the field of stars forward.

h. Other uniform items.

(1) Small clip-on flashlights and ear plug cases may be worn on the uniform.

(2) Security identification badges must be displayed for access to restricted areas or facilities, and will not be worn outside the area for which required. This measure is to protect the identification from compromise through photography, except those personnel not in military uniform must display their identification at all times. For USAF flight line operations only, ID may be worn exposed in an arm band. Only identification may be displayed; photos or accouterments are unauthorized.

(3) Only name and rank may be worn on hats and IBA. Only rank and divisional patches may be worn on camouflage covers. Only name and battle-roster number may be worn on the camouflage band, either in block letters or on a ½-inch wide, with ¼-inch block lettering nametape. If worn, the nametape on the hat is 1 inch wide, with the individual's last name in block letters, ¾ inch in height. Last names consisting of 11 letters or more are constructed using Franklin gothic extra-condensed print (48 point), ½ inch high. The nametape insignia is 4½ inches in length. No other writing, embroidery or sewing is authorized on any headgear.

(4) Field jackets must have rank and name and branch of service tapes. The ECWCS jacket (Gortex) must have rank and name tapes per service regulation.

(5) The Extended Cold-Weather Clothing System (ECWCS), as described in Chapter 7, Army Regulation 670-1, may be worn at unit discretion. The ECWCS is worn without the DCU uniform, and utilizes layered, issued polypropylene and fleece components with the Gortex jacket and trousers.

i. Wear of the Uniform by Civilians.

(1) Civilians and DoD contractors accompanying the US Armed Forces in the field may wear US military uniforms when deemed necessary by the commander or when required by contract. It is imperative that civilian personnel portray a professional image while wearing the uniform. Boots must be bloused, all buttons buttoned, and zippers and snaps properly fastened. Additionally, when the protective posture requires wear of IBA, mask, and helmet, these items will be properly worn, not carried.

(2) Civilians wearing the uniform will comply with the standards established in paragraph 30-10, AR 670-1. The uniform must have a nametape above the right breast pocket. Although not required, the component or service designator (for example,

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“Ordnance Technician,” “Safety” or “DOD Contractor”) may be worn above the left breast pocket. Insignia for civilians, which consists of an equilateral triangle printed on an olive-green, khaki or tan cloth background, may be worn directly above the left breast pocket or on the left shoulder. Additionally, individuals may wear their unit (1ID, 1CD, etc.) or affiliation (AAFES, AMC, etc.) patch one-half inch below the left shoulder seam. Other insignia, badges, patches or accoutrements, attached or affixed to the uniform, are not authorized.

(3) Variations of these standards are not authorized. Personnel are not authorized to mix civilian attire with military attire. The uniform is to be worn as a complete uniform. The wearing of trousers or coat alone, along with other clothing not associated with the uniform, is specifically prohibited. The use of complementary civilian baseball caps designating a specific company or branch are authorized. Wear of US Army PFU components by civilians is prohibited.

(4) Failure to follow these general guidelines may result in the loss of the privilege for civilians and DoD contractors to wear the uniform.

j. General Conduct.

(1) Saluting. Saluting is the most basic form of respect between two service members, and is a sign of discipline and respect. “No hat” and “No salute” areas are unauthorized. US military personnel should exchange salutes when outside in combat or in physical fitness uniforms, and should exchange salutes with military personnel of friendly foreign nations.

(2) Smoking Area. Smoking is not permitted within 50 feet of any entrance to any building occupied by US Forces, and only in authorized and designated smoking areas.

(3) US Forces will not walk with a cigarette, cigar, pipe, tooth pick or any other object in their mouths. Smoking by military or civilian personnel while operating military or US Government owned or leased motor vehicles or equipment (forklifts, generators, etc.) is prohibited by all service regulations.

(4) Swimming. Personnel may swim only in authorized swimming areas in appropriate swim attire. Males will wear baggy shorts, physical training shorts or swim trunks; females will wear a one or two-piece sports swim suit. Speedos, bikinis or thong bikinis are prohibited. All attire must be modest and consider and respect for host-nation considerations.

(5) Posters. Posters which contain, depict, or display any racist, sexist, obscene, pornographic, lewd or lascivious words, characters, pictures or symbols are

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prohibited in all areas under US control.

(6) Entertainment devices. Any entertainment device that requires headphones will not be used or worn while conducting outdoor physical training. Additionally, entertainment devices with headphones will not be used at any time while serving as a crew member or in any vehicle or aircraft.

(7) Male US military personnel will be clean-shaven on and off duty, except for those with valid shaving profiles or mustaches worn in accordance with applicable service regulations. Relaxed grooming for operational missions is authorized IAW written authorization by the CJSOTF-AP Commander.

(8) Body piercing of any kind is not authorized for military personnel. Female military personnel may wear earrings in accordance with their service uniform policy.

(9) USCENTCOM General Order 1A is in effect in Iraq. Alcohol possession or consumption by civilian or military personnel is prohibited.

5. APPEARANCE OF MILITARY VEHICLES.

a. Vehicle Markings: No non-official signs, depictions, slogans, unauthorized flags, or plywood overhead covers will be placed on vehicles. Writing of any kind on vehicles must be in black, block letters. Under no circumstances will other images or vehicle names (such as on gun tubes and gunner's shields) be placed onto military vehicles which would cast disparagement or otherwise discredit the United States Armed Forces.

b. Crew names on windshields or hulls, and unit designations on bumpers, are authorized.

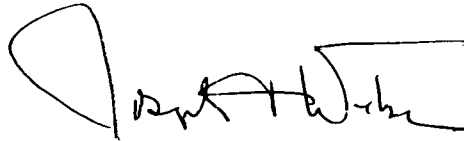
6. Point of contact: Questions on MNF-I policy for uniform wear, appearance and

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conduct should be addressed to the Office of the MNF-I Command Sergeant Major at DSN: 822-2244/2222, or DNVT 302-242-0131.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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